APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM OREGON HOUSE DELEGATION FISCAL YEAR 2010

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: FEBRUARY 20, 2009

PLEASE NOTE: As required by the House Appropriations Committee, all requests will be made public on the requesting Member's website.

1. Project Title:

Mental Health Transition Housing

2. Organization Name and address:

Marion County, Oregon P.O. Box 14500 Salem, OR 97309

- 3. Primary Contact name, phone number, mobile phone number, fax number and email:
- 4. Project Location Address (if different from Organization):

N/A

5. Please describe the requesting organization's main activities, and whether it is a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity:

Marion County has 20 cities, including the State Capital, Salem. It is the largest producer of agriculture among Oregon's 36 counties. Marion County's economy is also based on government, with 38 of the largest state agencies based here, and on education as the site of Willamette University, Chemeketa Community College, and Corban College. Located south of the Portland metropolitan area, Marion County stretches from the Willamette River to the Cascade Mountains encompassing nearly 1,200 square miles with a population of 306,665.

6. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (please keep to 500 words or less.)

This project would provide a monetary bridge for those temporarily without entitlement services (Medicaid & Oregon Health Plan) and provide supported housing slots with mental health treatment including case management, medication, and therapy.

The project would create 10 treatment slots that would serve more than 10 individuals each year since these supports are designed to be a bridge to existing funding and housing supports. An estimated 20-30 individuals would be successfully transitioned back into the community each year based upon the average length of "bridging" being 4-6 months.

7. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years?

Yes

7a. If yes, please provide fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding.

\$150,000 is pending in the FY09 Omnibus Appropriations bill.

8. Federal agency and account from which funds are requested (Please be specific –e.g. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account):

Agency: Department of Health and Human Services

Account: SAMHSA

9. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

On the state level, Marion County has been a leader in advancing services for mentally ill individuals involved in the forensic system. This project would provide a demonstration for other areas of the state of the kind of housing supports necessary to reduce recidivism when individuals with mental health problems transition back into the community.

At the national level, the issue of how to deal with increasing numbers of individuals in the forensic system who have mental health and substance abuse needs, is a growing problem. This project will inform us of what supports are successful in reducing the number of incarcerated people with mental illness and would provide valuable information for programs in other states.

10. Have you requested funding for this project from other Members of Congress?
If so, who?

This request will also be submitted to Senator Merkley and Senator Wyden.

- 11. Funding Details:
- a. Total project cost (all funding sources and all years):

b. Amount being requested for this project in Fiscal Year 2010:

\$225,000

c. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please provide specific dollar amount or percentage.)

Marion County will contribute the following:

Community education and planning forums \$5,000 Space at jail & health department for transition planning \$5,000 Residential Support Specialist; Case Manager (1/2 day / week)\$10,000

d. Do you expect to request federal funding in future years for this project?

Future funds will be requested based on the success of FY10.

e. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project in FY 2010.

(e.g. salary \$40,000; computer \$3,000):

\$120,000 for 2.5 FTE staff to provide supportive services via outreach, \$12,000 in start up, and \$83,000 for Materials and Services (including rent supports and treatment).

f. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project:

Paul Logan Northwest Human Services 503.588.5828

Troy Clausen Marion County Sheriff's Office 503.540.8078

Patrick Vance OR Dept. of Corrections 503.378.5520

g. Is this project scalable? (i.e. if partial funding is awarded, will the organization be able to use the funds in FY 2010?):

Yes